

CARPENTERS SCORE TRIUMPH OVER CONTRACTORS

In the campaign for labor peace the carpenters have passed the buck to the Carpenter Contractors' ass'n. The carpenters have accepted the plan of the state arbitration board and declared willingness to mediate with the contractors. It is evident that this move is not pleasing to the contractors, but it is believed they will gracefully accede to mediation proceedings, knowing they would be damned by public opinion if they did not. They will make decision by Thursday.

Mediation does not mean arbitration. The former means no more than open discussion.

Nothing said or done during mediation would be binding. Action taken during an arbitration meeting would be binding. The state board hopes that arbitration may follow the getting together of the factions for mediation.

Labor leaders are not displeased with the situation. Not all journeymen are out of work. Of 16,000 outside carpenters, 4,000 are employed and there is work with fair contractors for 3,000 more as soon as material can be secured. Of 270 contractors employing the 5,000 inside carpenters, 55 have signed the favorable agreement, which 800 outside carpenter contractors have signed.

Officials of the painters' and lathers' union say they have more men at work than there were working at any time last winter. R. C. Stewart, business agent of the hardwood finishers, has been especially successful in getting big contractors to sign his union's agreement.

The lumber dealers' ass'n has voted to refuse to sell lumber to contractors who are employing union men in opposition to the contractors' ass'n. They control 85 per cent of the yards. It is believed the other yards can increase their capacity sufficient to care for the contractors who want to work.

Uncle Sam may dab his finger in the local mess. Secretary of Labor Wilson, in Washington, has announced willingness to enter the discussion if invited by either side.



"There's several good formulas for a neighborhood war, but th' most reliable consist of one fence, some chickens and a baseball."

TWO VIEWS



Sister—When I get big I want to belong to a moving picture company.

Brother—Huh! When I get big I want a moving picture company to belong to me.

WEATHER FORECAST

Generally fair Tuesday and Wednesday, cooler, gentle to moderate variable winds.